

REMARKS:

Claims 11, 17, 19, and 20 are currently pending in the present application. Claims 1-10, 12-16, and 18 have been canceled previously. By this amendment, Claim 17 is hereby canceled.

Claim 20 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 5,788,372 (Jones) in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,535,861 (Young), JP-469423 (JP'423), U.S. Patent No. 6,224,019 (Peterson), and U.S. Patent No. 4,273,303 (Somm). Claims 11, 17, and 19 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Jones in view of Young, U.S. Patent No. 2,774,553 (Jensen), JP'423, and Peterson.

In view of the foregoing amendments and the following comments, allowance of all the claims pending in the application is respectfully requested.

Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a):

In the Examiner Interview, agreement was reached that the above amendments to the claims traverse the rejections of Claims 11, 17, 19, and 20 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a), thereby rendering the rejections moot. See *supra*, Interview Summary. Therefore, the Applicant respectfully requests that Claims 11, 19, and 20, as amended be allowed.

CONCLUSION:

The Applicant submits that the foregoing remarks and amendments made with respect to Claims 11, 19, and 20 traverse the Examiner's rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a), and that Claims 11, 19, and 20 are in condition for allowance. Therefore, the Applicant respectfully requests that Claims 11, 19, and 20 be allowed.

The Applicant submits that the subject Application is now considered to be in condition for allowance, and an early reconsideration and issuance of a Notice of Allowance are earnestly solicited. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (817) 447-9955 with any questions, comments, or suggestions relating to the referenced patent Application.

This Amendment is being filed via the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's EFS-Web electronic filing system. No fees are deemed to be necessary; however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayments, to **Deposit Account No. 502806**.

Respectfully submitted,

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